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# A common fixed point theorem for weak contractive maps in $G_p$ -metric spaces



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**Abstract** In this paper, we prove a common fixed point theorem for weak contractive maps by using the concept of  $G_p$ -metric spaces which are generalized of  $G$ -metric spaces and partial metric spaces. An illustrative example is given to support our results.

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## 1. Introduction

In 1922, the polish mathematician, Banach [1], proved a theorem which ensures, under appropriate conditions, the existence and uniqueness of a fixed point. This principle has many generalizations in different ways which established and introduced by several authors, for convenience we refer the reader to (see; e.g., [2–24]. One such generalizations is a partial metric space which introduced by Matthews [16]. In partial metric spaces, self-distance of an arbitrary point need not to be equal zero.

**Definition 1.1.** A partial metric on a nonempty set  $X$  is a function  $p : X \times X \rightarrow R^+$ ,  $R^+ := [0, \infty)$ , such that for all  $x, y, z \in X$ :

- ( $p^1$ )  $x = y \iff p(x, x) = p(x, y) = p(y, y)$ ,
- ( $p^2$ )  $p(x, x) \leq p(x, y)$ ,
- ( $p^3$ )  $p(x, y) = p(y, x)$ ,
- ( $p^4$ )  $p(x, y) \leq p(x, z) + p(z, y) - p(z, z)$ .

A partial metric space is a pair  $(X, p)$  such that  $X$  is a non-empty set and  $p$  is a partial metric on  $X$ .

On the other hand, Mustafa and Sims [17] introduced the notation of generalized metric spaces that so-called  $G$ -metric spaces and they extended Banach principle in  $G$ -metric spaces as follows.

**Definition 1.2.** Let  $X$  be a non-empty set. Suppose that  $G : X \times X \rightarrow R^+$  satisfies:

- (a)  $G(x, y, z) = 0$  if  $x = y = z$ ,
- (b)  $G(x, y, z) > 0$ ,  $\forall x, y, z \in X, x \neq y$ ,
- (c)  $G(x, x, y) \leq G(x, y, z)$ ,  $\forall x, y, z \in X, y \neq z$ ,
- (d)  $G(x, y, z) = G(x, z, y) = G(y, z, x) = \dots$ , (symmetry in all three variables),
- (e)  $G(x, y, z) \leq G(x, a, a) + G(a, y, z)$ ,  $\forall x, y, z, a \in X$ .

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Then  $G$  is called a  $G$ -metric on  $X$  and  $(X, G)$  is called a  $G$ -metric space.

Recently, Zand and Nezhad [24] introduced a generalization and unification of both partial metric space and  $G$ -metric space, by giving the notation of  $G_p$ -metric space in the following way.

**Definition 1.3.** Let  $X$  be a non-empty set. Suppose that  $G_p : X \times X \times X \rightarrow R^+$  satisfies:

- (a)  $x = y = z$  if  $G_p(x, x, x) = G_p(y, y, y) = G_p(z, z, z) \forall x, y, z \in X$ ,
- (b)  $0 \leq G_p(x, x, x) \leq G_p(x, x, y) \leq G_p(x, y, z), \forall x, y, z \in X$ ,
- (c)  $G_p(x, y, z) = G_p(x, z, y) = G_p(y, z, x) = \dots$ , (symmetry in all three variables),
- (d)  $G_p(x, y, z) \leq G_p(x, a, a) + G_p(a, y, z) - G_p(a, a, a), \forall x, y, z, a \in X$ .

Then  $G_p$  is called a  $G_p$ -metric on  $X$  and  $(X, G_p)$  is called a  $G_p$ -metric space.

**Example 1.1** [24]. Let  $X = [0, \infty)$  and define  $G_p(x, y, z) = \max\{x, y, z\}$  for all  $x, y, z \in X$ . Then  $(X, G_p)$  is a  $G_p$ -metric space. Also, one can show that  $(X, G_p)$  is not a  $G$ -metric space.

**Proposition 1.1** [24]. Let  $(X, G_p)$  is a  $G_p$ -metric space, then for any  $x, y, z \in X$  and  $a \in X$ , it follows that

- (i)  $G_p(x, y, z) \leq G_p(x, x, y) + G_p(x, x, z) - G_p(x, x, x)$ ,
- (ii)  $G_p(x, y, y) \leq 2G_p(x, x, y) - G_p(x, x, x)$ ,
- (iii)  $G_p(x, y, z) \leq G_p(x, a, a) + G_p(y, a, a) + G_p(z, a, a) - 2G_p(a, a, a)$ ,
- (iv)  $G_p(x, y, z) \leq G_p(x, a, z) + G_p(a, y, z) - G_p(a, a, a)$ .

**Proposition 1.2** [24]. Every  $G_p$ -metric space  $(X, G_p)$  defines a metric space  $(X, D_{G_p})$  where

$$D_{G_p}(x, y) = G_p(x, y, y) + G_p(y, x, x) - G_p(x, x, x) - G_p(y, y, y),$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ .

**Definition 1.4** [24]. Let  $(X, G_p)$  be a  $G_p$ -metric space a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is called a  $G_p$  convergent to  $x \in X$  if  $\lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} G_p(x, x_m, x_n) = G_p(x, x, x)$ .

A point  $x \in X$  is said to be limit point of the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  and written  $x_n \rightarrow x$ .

Thus if  $x_n \rightarrow x$  in a  $G_p$ -metric space  $(X, G_p)$ , then for any  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $l \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $|G_p(x, x_n, x_m) - G_p(x, x, x)| < \epsilon$ , for all  $n, m > l$ .

**Proposition 1.3** [24]. Let  $(X, G_p)$  is a  $G_p$ -metric space, Then, for any sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  and a point  $x \in X$ , the following are equivalent that

- (i)  $\{x_n\}$  is  $G_p$ -convergent to  $x$ ;
- (ii)  $G_p(x_n, x_n, x) \rightarrow G_p(x, x, x)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$
- (iii)  $G_p(x_n, x, x) \rightarrow G_p(x, x, x)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

**Definition 1.5** [24]. Let  $G_p$  be  $G_p$ -metric space.

- (i) A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is called a  $G_p$ -Cauchy if and only if  $\lim_{m, n \rightarrow \infty} G_p(x_n, x_m, x_m)$  exists (and is finite).
- (ii) A  $G_p$ -metric space  $(X, G_p)$  is said to be  $G_p$ -complete if and only if every  $G_p$ -Cauchy sequence in  $X$  is  $G_p$ -convergent to  $x \in X$  such that  $G_p(x, x, x) = \lim_{m, n \rightarrow \infty} G_p(x_n, x_m, x_m)$ .

**Definition 1.6** [17]. The two classes of following mappings are defined  $\Psi = \{\psi : \psi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty) \text{ is continuous, nondecreasing and } \psi^{-1}(0) = 0\}$ , and  $\Phi = \{\varphi : \varphi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty) \text{ is lower semi-continuous, nondecreasing and } \varphi^{-1}(0) = 0\}$ .

**Definition 1.7** [2]. Let  $(X, \preceq)$  be a partially ordered set. Two maps  $f, g : X \rightarrow X$  are said to be weak increasing if  $fx \preceq gfx$  and  $gx \preceq fgx$  for all  $x \in X$ .

**Lemma 1.1** [6]. We note that if  $(X, G_p)$  be  $G_p$ -metric space, Then

- (i) If  $G_p(x, y, z) = 0 \Rightarrow x = y = z$ ,
- (ii) If  $x \neq y$ , then  $G_p(x, y, y) > 0$ .

Abbas, Nazir and Radenovic [2] proved the following result.

**Theorem 1.1.** Let  $(X, \preceq)$  be a partially ordered set and  $f$  and  $g$  be weakly increasing self mapping on a complete  $G$ -metric space  $X$ . Assume that there exist  $\psi \in \Psi$  and  $\varphi \in \Phi$  such that

$$\psi(G(fx, gy, gy)) \leq \psi(M(x, y, y)) - \varphi(M(x, y, y)) \quad (1.1)$$

for all comparable  $x, y \in X$  where

$$M(x, y, y) = a_1 G(x, y, y) + a_2 G(x, fx, fx) + a_3 G(y, gy, gy) + a_4 [G(x, gy, gy) + G(y, fx, fx)]$$

where  $a_i > 0$  for  $i = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  with  $a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + 2a_4 \leq 1$ . if  $f$  or  $g$  is continuous or for  $\{x_n\}$  a nondecreasing sequence with  $x_n \rightarrow z$  in  $X$  implies  $x_n \preceq z$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $f$  and  $g$  have a common fixed point.

The aim of this paper is to generalize Theorem 1.1 to  $G_p$ -metric spaces. Also, in our result, the used contractive condition generalize condition (1.1). Finally, we give an example to support our result.

## 2. A main result

First we rewrite the continuity of maps in  $G_p$ -metric space as follows.

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $(X, G_p)$  be a  $G_p$ -metric space, partially ordered and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  be a given mapping. We say that  $T$  is continuous in  $x_0 \in X$  if for every sequence  $x_n$  in  $X$ , we have

- (i)  $x_n$  converges to  $x_0$  in  $(X, G_p)$  implies  $Tx_n$  converges to  $Tx_0$  in  $(X, G_p)$ .
- (ii)  $x_n$  converges properly to  $x_0$  in  $(X, G_p)$  implies  $Tx_n$  converges properly to  $Tx_0$  in  $(X, G_p)$ .

If  $T$  is continuous on each point  $x_0 \in X$ , then we say that  $T$  is continuous on  $(X, G_p)$ .

Now, we state and prove our main result in the following way.

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $(X, \preceq)$  be a partially ordered set and  $f$  and  $g$  be weakly increasing self mapping on a complete  $G_p$ -metric space  $X$ . Assume that there exist  $\psi \in \Psi$  and  $\phi \in \Phi$  such that*

$$\psi(G_p(fx, gy, gy)) \leq \psi(M(x, y, y)) - \phi(M(x, y, y)) \quad (2.1)$$

for all comparable  $x, y \in X$  where

$$M(x, y, y) = \max\{G_p(x, y, y), G_p(x, fx, fx), G_p(y, gy, gy), [G_p(x, gy, gy) + G_p(y, fx, fx)]/2\}.$$

Suppose that one of the following cases is satisfied:

- (i)  $f$  or  $g$  is continuous,
- (ii) if a nondecreasing sequence  $\{x_n\}$  converges to  $z \in X$  implies  $x_n \preceq z$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Then the maps  $f$  and  $g$  have a common fixed point.

**Proof.** Assume that  $u$  is a fixed point of  $f$  and  $G_p(u, gu, gu) > 0$ , then from (2.1) with  $x = y = u$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(G_p(u, gu, gu)) &= \psi(G_p(fu, gu, gu)) \\ &\leq \psi(M(u, u, u)) - \phi(M(u, u, u)), \end{aligned} \quad (2.2)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} M(u, u, u) &= \max\{G_p(u, u, u), G_p(u, fu, fu), G_p(u, gu, gu), \\ &\quad [G_p(u, gu, gu) + G_p(u, fu, fu)]/2\} \\ &= \max\{G_p(u, u, u), G_p(u, u, u), G_p(u, gu, gu), \\ &\quad [G_p(u, gu, gu) + G_p(u, u, u)]/2\} \\ &= \max\{G_p(u, u, u), G_p(u, gu, gu)\} = G_p(u, gu, gu). \end{aligned}$$

Hence we get

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(G_p(u, gu, gu)) &= \psi(G_p(fu, gu, gu)) \leq \psi(G_p(u, gu, gu)) \\ &\quad - \phi(G_p(u, gu, gu)) \Rightarrow \phi(G_p(u, gu, gu)) \leq 0. \end{aligned}$$

a contradiction. Hence,  $G_p(fu, gu, gu) = 0$ . So,  $u$  is common fixed point of  $f$  and  $g$ . Similarly, if  $u$  is a fixed point of  $g$ , then one can deduce that  $u$  is also fixed point of  $f$ . Now let  $x_0$  be an arbitrary point of  $X$ . if  $fx_0 = x_0$ , then the proof is finished, so we assume that  $fx_0 \neq x_0$ .

Now, one can construct a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= fx_0 \preceq gfx_0 = gx_1 = x_2, \\ x_2 &= gx_1 \preceq fgx_1 = fx_2 = x_3, \\ &\vdots \\ x_n &\preceq x_{n+1}. \end{aligned}$$

Now since  $x_{2n}$  and  $x_{2n+1}$  are comparable so we may assume that  $G_p(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}) > 0$ , for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . If not, then  $x_{2n} = x_{2n+1}$  for some  $n$ . For all those  $n$ , using (2.1), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(G_p(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+2})) &= \psi(G_p(fx_{2n}, gx_{2n+1}, gx_{2n+1})) \\ &\leq \psi(M(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1})) \\ &\quad - \phi(M(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1})), \end{aligned} \quad (2.3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} M(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}) &= \max\{G_p(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}), G_p(x_{2n}, fx_{2n}, fx_{2n}), \\ &\quad G_p(x_{2n+1}, gx_{2n+1}, gx_{2n+1}), \\ &\quad [G_p(x_{2n}, gx_{2n+1}, gx_{2n+1}) + G_p(x_{2n+1}, fx_{2n}, fx_{2n})]/2\} \\ &= \max\{G_p(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}), G_p(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}), \\ &\quad G_p(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+2}), \\ &\quad [G_p(x_{2n}, x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+2}) + G_p(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1})]/2\} \\ &\leq \max\{G_p(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+2}), \frac{1}{2}[G_p(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}) \\ &\quad + G_p(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+2}) - G_p(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}) \\ &\quad + G_p(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1})]\} \\ &= G_p(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+2}) \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(G_p(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+2})) &\leq \psi(G_p(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+2})) \\ &\quad - \phi(G_p(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+2})), \end{aligned}$$

implies that  $\phi(G_p(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+2})) = 0$  and  $x_{2n+1} = x_{2n+2}$ . Following the similar arguments, we obtain  $x_{2n+2} = x_{2n+3}$  and hence  $x_{2n}$  becomes a common fixed point of  $f$  and  $g$ .

Now, by taking  $G_p(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}) > 0$  for  $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ , consider

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(G_p(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+2})) &= \psi(G_p(fx_{2n}, gx_{2n+1}, gx_{2n+1})) \\ &\leq \psi(M(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1})) \\ &\quad - \phi(M(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1})), \end{aligned} \quad (2.4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} M(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}) &= \max\{G_p(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}), G_p(x_{2n}, fx_{2n}, fx_{2n}), \\ &\quad G_p(x_{2n+1}, gx_{2n+1}, gx_{2n+1}), \\ &\quad [G_p(x_{2n}, gx_{2n+1}, gx_{2n+1}) + G_p(x_{2n+1}, fx_{2n}, fx_{2n})]/2\} \\ &= \max\{G_p(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}), G_p(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}), \\ &\quad G_p(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+2}), \\ &\quad [G_p(x_{2n}, x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+2}) + G_p(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1})]/2\} \\ &\leq \max\{G_p(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}), G_p(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+2}), \\ &\quad [G_p(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}) + G_p(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+2}) \\ &\quad - G_p(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}) + G_p(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1})]/2\} \\ &\leq \max\{G_p(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}), G_p(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+2}), \\ &\quad \frac{1}{2}[G_p(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}) + G_p(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+2})]\} \\ &= \max\{G_p(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}), G_p(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+2})\}. \end{aligned}$$

Now if  $G_p(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+2}) \geq G_p(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1})$  for some  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , then  $M(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}) = G_p(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+2})$  and from (2.4), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(G_p(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+2})) &\leq \psi(G_p(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+2})) \\ &\quad - \phi(G_p(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+2})) \end{aligned}$$

implies that  $\phi(G_p(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+2})) = 0$ , a contradiction. Therefore, for all  $n \geq 0$ ,  $G_p(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+2}) \leq G_p(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1})$ . Similarly, we have  $G_p(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}) \leq G_p(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n}, x_{2n})$  for all  $n \geq 0$ . Hence for all  $n \geq 0$

$$G_p(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}, x_{n+2}) \leq G_p(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1})$$

and  $\{G_p(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}, x_{n+2})\}$  is a non-increasing sequence and so there exists  $L \geq 0$ , such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} G_p(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}, x_{n+2}) = L$ . Then, by the lower semi continuity of  $\phi$ ,

$$\varphi(L) \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varphi(M(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1})).$$

We claim that  $L = 0$ . By lower semi continuity of  $\varphi$ , taking the upper limit as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  on either side of

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(G_p(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}, x_{n+2})) &\leq \psi(M(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1})) \\ &\quad - \phi(M(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1})), \end{aligned}$$

we have

$$\psi(L) \leq \psi(L) - \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varphi(M(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1})) \leq \psi(L) - \varphi(L),$$

i.e.  $\varphi(L) \leq 0$ . Thus  $\varphi(L) = 0$  and we conclude that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} G_p(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}, x_{n+2}) = 0. \quad (2.5)$$

Now, we shall show that  $\{x_n\}$  is a  $G_p$ -Cauchy sequence. For each  $n \leq m$ , and  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} G_p(x_n, x_m, x_m) &\leq G_p(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) + G_p(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}, x_{n+2}) \\ &\quad + G_p(x_{n+2}, x_{n+3}, x_{n+3}) + \dots \\ &\quad + G_p(x_{m-1}, x_m, x_m) - \{G_p(x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) \\ &\quad + \dots + G_p(x_{m-1}, x_{m-1}, x_{m-1})\} \\ &\leq G_p(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) + G_p(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}, x_{n+2}) \\ &\quad + G_p(x_{n+2}, x_{n+3}, x_{n+3}) + \dots \\ &\quad + G_p(x_{m-1}, x_m, x_m). \end{aligned}$$

By taking the limit as  $n, m \rightarrow \infty$  to both side of the above inequality and from (2.5) we have

$$\lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} G_p(x_n, x_m, x_m) = 0.$$

It follows that  $\{x_n\}$  is a  $G_p$ -Cauchy sequence and by  $G_p$ -completeness of  $X$ , so there exist  $z \in X$  such that  $\{x_n\}$  converges to  $z$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

Now we will distinguish the cases (i) and (ii) of Theorem 2.1.

- (i) Suppose  $g$  is continuous, since  $x_{2n+1} \rightarrow z$ , we obtain that  $x_{2n+2} = g(x_{2n+1}) = g(z)$ . But  $x_{2n+2} \rightarrow z$ . (as a subsequence of  $\{x_n\}$ ) It follows that  $g(z) = z$ , and from the beginning of the prove we get  $g(z) = z = f(z)$ . The proof, assuming that  $f$  is continuous, is similar to above.
- (ii) Suppose that  $G_p(z, gz, gz) > 0$  and for  $\{x_n\}$  and a nondecreasing sequence with  $x_n \rightarrow z$  in  $X$  implies that  $x_{2n+1} \preceq z$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Now from (2.1)

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(G_p(x_{2n+1}, gz, gz)) &= \psi(G_p(fx_{2n}, gz, gz)) \\ &\leq \psi(M(x_{2n}, z, z)) - \varphi(M(x_{2n}, z, z)), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} M(x_{2n}, z, z) &= \max\{G_p(x_{2n}, z, z), G_p(x_{2n}, fx_{2n}, fx_{2n}), \\ &\quad G_p(z, gz, gz), [G_p(x_{2n}, gz, gz) \\ &\quad + G_p(z, fx_{2n}, fx_{2n})]/2\} \\ &= \max\{G_p(x_{2n}, z, z), G_p(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}), \\ &\quad G_p(z, gz, gz), [G_p(x_{2n}, gz, gz) \\ &\quad + G_p(z, x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1})]/2\} \end{aligned}$$

and on taking limit as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , implies  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M(x_{2n}, z, z) = G_p(z, gz, gz)$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(G_p(z, gz, gz)) &= \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \psi(G_p(fx_{2n}, gz, gz)) \\ &\leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} [\psi(M(x_{2n}, z, z)) - \varphi(M(x_{2n}, z, z))] \\ &\leq \psi(G_p(z, gz, gz)) - \varphi(G_p(z, gz, gz)) \end{aligned}$$

a contradiction. Thus  $G_p(z, gz, gz) = 0$  and so  $z = fz = gz$ .  $\square$

Put  $\psi(t) = t$  in Theorem 2.1, we obtain the following.

**Corollary 2.1.** Let  $(X, \preceq)$  be a partially ordered set and  $f$  and  $g$  be weakly increasing self mapping on a complete  $G_p$ -metric space  $X$ . Assume that there exist  $\varphi \in \Phi$  such that

$$G_p(fx, gy, gy) \leq M(x, y, y) - \varphi(M(x, y, y)) \quad (2.6)$$

for all comparable  $x, y \in X$  where

$$M(x, y, y) = \max\{G_p(x, y, y), G_p(x, fx, fx), G_p(y, gy, gy), [G_p(x, gy, gy) + G_p(y, fx, fx)]/2\}.$$

Suppose that one of the following cases is satisfied:

- (i)  $f$  or  $g$  is continuous,
- (ii) if a nondecreasing sequence  $\{x_n\}$  converges to  $z \in X$  implies  $x_n \preceq z$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Then the maps  $f$  and  $g$  have a common fixed point.

The following corollary is  $G_p$ -metric spaces version of Theorem 1.1.

**Corollary 2.2.** Let  $(X, \preceq)$  be a partially ordered set and  $f$  and  $g$  be weakly increasing self mapping on a complete  $G_p$ -metric space  $X$ . Assume that there exist  $\psi \in \Psi$  and  $\varphi \in \Phi$  such that

$$\psi(G_p(fx, gy, gy)) \leq \psi(M(x, y, y)) - \varphi(M(x, y, y)) \quad (2.7)$$

for all comparable  $x, y \in X$  where

$$\begin{aligned} M(x, y, y) &= a_1 G_p(x, y, y) + a_2 G_p(x, fx, fx) + a_3 G_p(y, gy, gy) \\ &\quad + a_4 [G_p(x, gy, gy) + G_p(y, fx, fx)] \end{aligned}$$

where  $a_i > 0$  for  $i = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  with  $a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + a_4 \leq 1$ .

Then of the following two cases is satisfied:

- (i)  $f$  or  $g$  is continuous,
- (ii) if a nondecreasing sequence  $\{x_n\}$  converges to  $z \in X$  implies  $x_n \preceq z$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Then the maps  $f$  and  $g$  have a common fixed point.

If we set  $\psi(t) = t$  in Corollary 2.2, we get the following.

**Corollary 2.3.** Let  $(X, \preceq)$  be a partially ordered set and  $f$  and  $g$  be weakly increasing self mapping on a complete  $G_p$ -metric space  $X$  satisfying

$$G_p(fx, gy, gy) \leq M(x, y, y) - \varphi(M(x, y, y)) \quad (2.8)$$

for all comparable  $x, y \in X$  where  $\varphi \in \Phi$  and

$$\begin{aligned} M(x, y, y) &= a_1 G_p(x, y, y) + a_2 G_p(x, fx, fx) + a_3 G_p(y, gy, gy) \\ &\quad + a_4 [G_p(x, gy, gy) + G_p(y, fx, fx)] \end{aligned}$$

where  $a_i > 0$  for  $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$  with  $a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + 2a_4 \leq 1$ .

Suppose that one of the following cases is satisfied:

- (i)  $f$  or  $g$  is continuous,
- (ii) if a nondecreasing sequence  $\{x_n\}$  converges to  $z \in X$  implies  $x_n \preceq z$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Then the maps  $f$  and  $g$  have a common fixed point.

**Corollary 2.4.** Let  $(X, \preceq)$  be a partially ordered set and  $f$  and  $g$  be weakly increasing self mapping on a complete  $G_p$ -metric space  $X$  satisfying

$$G_p(fx, gy, gy) \leq k \max\{G_p(x, y, y), G_p(x, fx, fx), G_p(y, gy, gy), [G_p(x, gy, gy) + G_p(y, fx, fx)]/2\}, \quad (2.9)$$

for all comparable  $x, y \in X$ .

Suppose that one of the following cases is satisfied:

- (i)  $f$  or  $g$  is continuous,
- (ii) if a nondecreasing sequence  $\{x_n\}$  converges to  $z \in X$  implies  $x_n \preceq z$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then the maps  $f$  and  $g$  have a common fixed point.

**Proof.** Define  $\varphi, \psi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  by  $\psi(t) = t$  and  $\varphi(t) = (1 - k)t$  for all  $t \in [0, \infty)$ , where  $k \in [0, 1)$ . Then it is clear that  $\psi \in \Psi$  and  $\varphi \in \Phi$ . The result follows from Theorem 3.2.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.5.** Let  $(X, \preceq)$  be a partially ordered set and  $f$  and  $g$  be weakly increasing self mapping on a complete  $G_p$ -metric space  $X$  satisfying

$$\psi(G_p(fx, gy, gy)) \leq \psi(G_p(x, y, y)) - \varphi(G_p(x, y, y)) \quad (2.10)$$

for all comparable  $x, y \in X$  where  $\psi \in \Psi, \varphi \in \Phi$ .

Suppose that one of the following cases is satisfied:

- (i)  $f$  or  $g$  is continuous,
- (ii) if a nondecreasing sequence  $\{x_n\}$  converges to  $z \in X$  implies  $x_n \preceq z$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then the maps  $f$  and  $g$  have a common fixed point.

**Corollary 2.6.** Let  $(X, \preceq)$  be a partially ordered set and  $f$  and  $g$  be weakly increasing self mapping on a complete  $G_p$ -metric space  $X$  satisfying

$$G_p(fx, gy, gy) \leq \frac{G_p(x, y, y)}{1 + G_p(x, y, y)} \quad (2.11)$$

for all comparable  $x, y \in X$ .

Suppose that one of the following cases is satisfied:

- (i)  $f$  or  $g$  is continuous,
- (ii) if a nondecreasing sequence  $\{x_n\}$  converges to  $z \in X$  implies  $x_n \preceq z$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then the maps  $f$  and  $g$  have a common fixed point.

**Example 2.1.** Let  $X = [0, 1]$  be a set endowed with order  $x \preceq y \iff y \leq x$ . let  $G_p(x, y, z) = \max\{x, y, z\}$  be a  $G_p$ -metric space on  $X$  Define by  $f, g : X \rightarrow X$  by  $f(x) = \frac{x}{12} \forall x \in X$ ,

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x}{6}; & x \in [0, \frac{1}{2}), \\ \frac{x}{3}; & x \in [\frac{1}{2}, 1). \end{cases}$$

it's clear that  $f$  is continuous and  $g$  is not continuous. and the pair  $(f, g)$  is weakly increasing.  $f, g$  is commuting at  $x = \frac{1}{2}$   $y = \frac{x}{12}, \psi(t) = t^2$  and  $\phi(t) = \frac{t^2}{25}, t \in \mathbb{R}^+$ , then we have from Theorem 2.1

$$\psi(G_p(fx, gy, gy)) \leq \psi(M(x, y, y)) - \varphi(M(x, y, y))$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{since } \psi(G_p(fx, gy, gy)) &= \psi(\max\{fx, gy, gy\}) = \psi(\max\{\frac{x}{12}, \frac{y}{6}, \frac{y}{6}\}) \\ &= \psi(\frac{x}{12}) = (\frac{x}{12})^2 = \frac{1}{288} = 0.0034 \\ &\text{since } y = \frac{x}{12} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} M(x, y, y) &= \max\{G_p(x, y, y), G_p(x, fx, fx), G_p(y, gy, gy), \\ &\quad [G_p(x, gy, gy) + G_p(y, fx, fx)]/2\} \\ &= \max\{\max\{x, y, y\}, \max\{x, fx, fx\}, \max\{y, gy, gy\}, \\ &\quad \frac{1}{2}[\max\{x, gy, gy\} + \max\{y, fx, fx\}]\} \\ &= \max\left\{x, x, y, \frac{1}{2}\left[x + \frac{x}{12}\right]\right\} = x \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(M(x, y, y)) - \varphi(M(x, y, y)) &= \psi(x) - \varphi(x) \\ &= (x^2) - \left(\frac{x^2}{25}\right) \\ &= \frac{24}{25}x^2 \\ &= \left(\frac{24}{25}\right)\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) = 0.24 \end{aligned}$$

then  $\psi(G_p(fx, gy, gy)) = \frac{1}{288} = 0.0034 \leq \psi(M(x, y, y)) - \varphi(M(x, y, y)) = 0.24$  Hence all the conditions of Theorem 2.1 are satisfied. Moreover, 0 is the common fixed point.

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